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Applicant: Tim M. Townes *et al.*

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action mailed July 20, 1999, be extended for three (3) months to and including January 20, 2000.

Enclosed is a check for \$435.00 for the required fee. If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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